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Minutes of DPS Board of Elevator Examiners **Wednesday September 25, 2013**

Time: 9:00 am

Location: 365 East Street, Tewksbury, MA/Conference Room

Meeting of the Board of Elevator Examiners

This meeting was held in accordance with G. L. c. 30A, §§ 18 - 25 the MA Open Meeting Law

The meeting was called to order by Patrick Coyle and attendees were announced.

Attendees:

Patrick Coyle, Chairman

Lenny Chase, Member/Elevator Supervisor

Paul Keyes/Member/Elevator Supervisor

George Dahlquist, Member/Elevator Supervisor

George Ramian, Member/Elevator Supervisor

Pam Hodge, Clerk of Record

Absent, Ed Sandell, Member/Elevator Supervisor

Guest/Walter Zalenski, D. P. S. Chief of Elevators

- **Minutes:** September 11, 2013 minutes were reviewed: George Ramian made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as read, and Lenny Chase second the motion. Chair asks if any further discussion on the motion. No further discussion, chair calls for a vote all in favor, George Dahlquist (I), Lenny Chase (I), Paul Keyes (I), George Ramian (1), Patrick Coyle (I), accepted.

- **New Business:** Chair said we have David Palmer here, would you please identify yourself. My name is David Palmer. Chair ask when was your licenses issued; Mr. Palmer replies May 12, 2011. Chair asks and when did it expire? July 16, 2012. Chair ask when did you find out that you're licensed was expired? Mr. Palmer said September, I thought I had two years, it caught me off guard that it only had one year.

Chair then read the General Laws; Chapter 143, Section 71C. A license shall continue in force until the date of birth of the license occurring more than twelve months, but not more than 24 months after the date of such license unless suspended or revoked. If any such license or the renewal thereof expires in an even year, any subsequent renewal shall expire on the next anniversary of the license's date of birth occurring in an even year. Licenses not renewed at the expiration date shall become void, and shall, after one year be reinstated only by reexamination of the license.

Chair then states; your license void was July 16, 2012. Mr. Palmer said he's been a mechanic assistant so he didn't carry his license on him, so he forgot about it. Chair says it's explicit, I've spoken to our legal staff and the ruling is it had expired. Chair asks if any members have anything to add. Paul Keyes said there's nothing we can do it's specific. Chair told Mr. Palmer; unfortunately you'll have to be reexamined. The next test date is November 13, 2013. Ramian asks will you be able to sit on that test. Mr. Palmer replied should be no problem. Chair stats that it is the consensus of the Board that he gets reexamined. Mr. Palmer left the meeting at 9:30 A.M. Chair asks if there's any other New Business, Chief Zalenski said he would like the Board to look over the Elevator Operator exam, it needs to be updated. Chair stats we will take that under advisement and do that for you. Lenny Chase asked if there was any news on the scantron. Chief Zalenski said that Chief Rogers is in charge, and when he went to bring it up Chief Rogers was on vacation, then next week he's at training out in Ohio, I'll try to get a hold of him via email next week, but in the mean time I'll check with our procurement officer Joanne Shea for an update. Paul Keyes brought up that he and George Ramian went on a job site to check on a lead they got of someone working on an elevator without a license. So we investigated it, his name was William P. DeCelle, 407 Atlantic Ave., Boston, MA 02210. We approached him and he lied and said he has a Massachusetts license. Then he ran out of the building and disappeared. We then went to his office in Boston to try to confront him, but he wasn't there. We spoke to his boss, so we are going to issue him a ticket for \$500.00. He was on car tops, pits, machine room. Chair brought up that he heard that large elevator companies are performing work over the telephone; the software allows them to do that. That is a strict violation of the Massachusetts General Law. Chief Zalenski says that is correct, and he is working with the Board of Elevator Regulation to make sure that doesn't happen, we now have contractor registration, and we can now pull their registration. The Board of Elevator Regulation is policing it quite closely, and if any manufacture has that software, they have to prove to the Board that it is disabled.

At 9:40 a.m. Chair asks that a motion be made to go into Executive Session to prepare questions for Elevator License Examination. George Ramian made a motion to go to Executive Session and Lenny Chase seconds it. All in favor (unanimous).

At 11:35 Board members return from Executive Session. Paul Keyes made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and George Dahlquist seconds the motions, Chair did a roll call, George Dahlquist (I), George Ramian (I), Lenny Chase (I), Paul Keyes (I), Pat Coyle (I), unanimous, (5-0). No other regular business, so chair accepts a motion to adjourn. Chair ask if any other discussion on the motion? Members reply no, therefore George Ramian made a motion to adjourn the regular business meeting and Lenny Chase seconds the motion. All in favor (unanimous).

Next meeting of the B. E. E. is October 9th, 2013.

Adjourned: 11:30

Prepared By P. Hodge/Clerk of Record